



## A NEW SONG ON THE PASSING OF THE CHURCH BILL

You Sons and fair daughters of Erin's green Isle  
I'm sure tho' a few voices will cause you to smile  
The Bill and Church Question they passed it of late  
The victory on our side was glorious and great

### CHORUS—

Down down down Derry down

On great London Bridge 23'd of Ju'y  
The Lords and the Peers were all passing by  
They were met by Gladstone who made them agree  
To sign the Church Bill for old Erin Machree

Hurra my boys our meeting was great  
They marched thro' the City around Thom's gate  
They cheered for brave Sarsfield as thousands went  
on

But their cheers reached the sky at the statue of D

The Ministers all now I'm sure they are sad—  
I would mark it no wonder they wou'd nearly go mad  
They had a grand living round their green shore  
But now its all over—they will have it no more

God bless every Member who signed to the Bill  
To free Paddy's nation by talent and skill  
The Parson is daffied—his claim is no more  
God's will may be done the true Church of Rome

The Church of St Peter will flourish each day  
Those under her banner will carry the sway  
Our land confiscated without any crime  
For adoring the Cross the Virgin and Child

Queen Bess had a dream and the same she did tell  
That Lord Castle Reagh and his friends were doing  
well

But Ucker has curs'd them no doubt to bewail  
The day they left Ireland without the Repail

Remember the time when our Clergy should hide  
Could only say Mass by the hedge or ditch side  
No bell in the Chapel or in the cell  
But now we thank God they are the grandest at all,

God bless Queen Victoria and long may she reign  
She sing'd to the bill on rights to maintain  
She does us no harm tho' great was her power  
She show'd us a fair play may she long wear the crown

Now to conclude and to finish my song  
May we all be united and that before long  
May our souls be comforted abroad and at home  
To worship our God and the true Church of Rome